WE CLAIM:

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1. A method of treating Demyelinating Diseases said method comprising administering to a patient in need thereof a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of formula I

wherein

m is 0, 1 or 2;

n is 0, 1 or 2;

p is 0 or 1;

each R is independently hydrogen, halogen, trifluoromethyl, C_1 - C_6 alkyl, C_1 - C_6 alkoxy, benzyloxy, hydroxy, nitro or amino;

each R₁ is independently hydrogen, C₁-C₆alkyl, C₁-C₆alkenyl,

 C_1 - C_6 alkanoyl, halogen, cyano, - $C(O)C_1$ - C_6 alkyl, - C_1 - C_6 alkyleneCN, - C_1 - C_6 alkyleneNR'R" wherein R' and R" are each independently hydrogen or C_1 - C_6 alkyl,

-C₁-C₆alkyleneOC(O)C₁-C₆alkyl, or -CH(OH)R₄ wherein R₄ is hydrogen or C₁-C₆alkyl;

R₂ is hydrogen, C₁-C₆alkyl optionally substituted with halogen, hydroxy or benzyloxy, C₁-C₆alkenyl, C₁-C₆alkynyl,

-CO₂C₁-C₆alkyl, or -R₅-NR' R" wherein R₅ is C₁-C₆alkylene, C₁-C₆alkenylene or C₁-C₆alkynylene and R' and R" are each independently hydrogen, C₁-C₆alkyl or alternatively the group -NR'R" as a whole is 1-pyrrolidinyl; and R₃ is hydrogen, nitro, amino, halogen, C₁-C₆alkoxy, hydroxy or C₁-C₆alkyl

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

- 2. The method of claim 1 wherein R is hydrogen, halogen, trifluoromethyl, or C_1 - C_6 alkyl; R_1 is hydrogen or C_1 - C_6 alkyl; R_2 is hydrogen or C_1 - C_6 alkyl or halogen; and p is 0.
- The method of claim 1 wherein the Demyelinating Disease is multiple sclerosis.
- 4. The method of claim 2 wherein the compound has the following formula

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- 5. The method of claim 4 wherein the Demyelinating Disease is multiple sclerosis.
- 6. A method of treating Demyelinating Conditions said method comprising administering to a patient in need thereof a therapeutically effective amount of the compound of claim 1.
- 7. The method of claim 6 wherein R is hydrogen, halogen, trifluoromethyl, or C_1 - C_6 alkyl; R_1 is hydrogen or C_1 - C_6 alkyl; R_2 is hydrogen or C_1 - C_6 alkyl or halogen; and p is 0.
- 8. The method of claim 6 wherein the Demyelinating Condition is Spinal Cord Injury.
- 9. The method of claim 6 wherein the Demyelinating Condition is Traumatic Brain Injury.
- 10. The method of claim 6 wherein the Demyelinating Condition is Stroke.
- 11. The method of claim 7 wherein the compound has the following formula

- 12. The method of claim 11 wherein the Demyelinating Condition is Spinal Cord Injury.
- 5 13. The method of claim 11 wherein the Demyelinating Condition is Traumatic Brain Injury.
 - 14. The method of claim 11 wherein the Demyelinating Condition is Stroke.
 - 15. A method of Stroke Rehabilitation said method comprising administering to a patient in need thereof a therapeutically effective amount of the compound of claim 1.
- 16. The method of claim 14 wherein R is hydrogen, halogen, trifluoromethyl, or C₁-C₆alkyl; R₁ is hydrogen or C₁-C₆alkyl; R₂ is hydrogen or C₁-C₆alkyl; R₃ is hydrogen, C₁-C₆alkyl or halogen; and p is 0.
 - 17. The method of claim 16 wherein the compound has the following formula

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- 18. A method of blocking the potassium channel in a patient in need thereof by administering to a patient in need thereof a therapeutically effective amount of the compound of claim 1.
- 19. The method of claim 18 wherein R is hydrogen, halogen, trifluoromethyl, or C_1 - C_6 alkyl; R_1 is hydrogen or C_1 - C_6 alkyl; R_2 is hydrogen or C_1 - C_6 alkyl or halogen; and p is 0.
- 20. The method of claim 19 wherein the compound has the following formula

5 21. The method of claim 2 wherein the compound has the following formula

22. The method of claim 7 wherein the compound has the following formula

- 23. The method of claim 22 wherein the demyelinating condition is Spinal Cord Injury.
- 24. The method of claim 22 wherein the demyelinating condition is Traumatic Brain Injury.
 - 25. The method of claim 22 wherein the demyelinating condition is Stroke.

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- 26. A method of treating Neuropathic Pain said method comprising administering to a patient in need thereof a therapeutically effective amount of the compound of claim 1.
- 5 27. The method of claim 26 wherein the compound has the following formula:

- 28. A method of treating Bladder Irritation said method comprising administering to a patient in need thereof a therapeutically effective amount of the compound of claim 1.
- 29. The method of claim 28 wherein the compound has the following formula:

- 30. A method of treating Over Active Bladder said method comprising administering to a patient in need thereof a therapeutically effective amount of the compound of claim 1.
- 31. The method of claim 30 wherein the compound has the following formula:

- 32. A method of treating chemokine-induced pain said method comprising administering to a patient in need thereof a therapeutically effective amount of the compound of claim 1.
- 33. The method of claim 32 wherein the compound has the following formula: